IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

: Examiner: NYA

RON DEMBO, ET AL.

: Group Art Unit: NYA

Application No.: NYA

Filed: March 20, 2001

For: RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM,

DISTRIBUTED FRAMEWORK
AND METHOD

: Examiner: NYA

March 20, 2001

March 20, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

[This application is a continuation of Appln. No. 09/323,680, filed June 2, 1999]

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1

Line 1, insert -- This application is a continuation of Appln. No. 09/323,680, filed June 2, 1999--.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500.